(ग) और (घ) पश्चिमी अपतट से दक्षिणी क्षेत्र तक गैस पाइपलाइन की अवधारणा को सैद्धांतिक तौर पर अनुमोदित कर दिया गया है।

"बाम्बे हाई" से गैस की आपूर्ति

320. डा० बापू कालदाते :
श्री सुशील कुमार सम्भाजीराव शिन्दे :

क्या पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि केन्द्रीय सरकार ने महाराष्ट्र में दामोल में बनाये जा रहे "पावर स्टेशन" और रायगढ जिले में स्पंज-लौह की तीन परियोजनाओं को "बाम्बे हाई" के प्राकृतिक गैस की आपूर्ति किये जाने की मांग स्वीकार कर ली है ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो इस संबंध में अब तक क्या कदम उठाये गये हैं ;

(ग) क्या यह भी सच है कि गैस अथारिटी आफ इंडिया और "तेल और प्राकृतिक गैस आयोग" ने इस संबंध में महाराष्ट्र सरकार को कोई उत्तर नहीं दिया है ;

(घ) यदि हां, तो उसके क्या कारण हैं ; और

(ङ) यह गैस कब तक महाराष्ट्र को उपलब्ध करायी जायेगी ?

पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (कैप्टन सतीश शर्मा) : (क) जी नहीं।

(ख) प्रश्न नहीं उठता।

(ग) से (ङ) महाराष्ट्र सरकार को यह सूचित किया गया है कि दक्षिणी राज्यों में एक गैस पाइपलाइन बिछाने के परिप्रेक्ष्य में उनके अनुरोध पर विचार किया गया है और पश्चिमी तट के एक उपयुक्त उतराई स्थल से दक्षिण राज्यों को एक गैस पाइपलाइन की अवधारणा को सैद्धांतिक रूप में स्वीकार कर लिया गया है।

Setting up of petroleum refinery in Assam

321. SHRI P. UPENDRA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have decided to set up another petroleum refinery as a part of the Assam Accord, 1986;

(b) if so, what is the progress on this project and whether the pipeline to link the refinery to the national distribution network is also under construction; and

(c) when the project is likely to be completed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (CAPT. SATISH SHARMA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) Construction of the boundary wall, fencing site office, cement godown etc. has been started. The selection of the technology for the refinery is being finalised. Other associated projects like the product pipeline for evacuation of the products from the refinery have been envisaged and will be completed to synchronize with the commissioning of the refinery, which is now expected to be around July, 1997.

Burning of LPG at various well sites

322. SHRI RAMACHANDRAN PILLAI: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a lot of LPG is being burnt out at various well sites in the country;

(b) if so, the quantity of such LPG; and

(c) the details of plan to utilise such LPG in the future?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (CAPT. SATISH SHARMA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Sanctioning of gas pipeline from Bombay to West Bengal, Bihar and Orissa

323. SHRI SUNIL BASU RAY: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to sanction gas pipeline from Bombay to West Bengal, Bihar and Orissa; and

(b) if not, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (CAPT. SATISH SHARMA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) In view of the projected availability of gas from the Western offshore and the allocations already made, no further allocations from this source are being considered.

Laying of Gas pipeline from Tripura and Assam to West Bengal

324. SHRI MOHAMMED AMIN: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to lay natural gas pipeline from Tripura and Assam to West Bengal;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PEROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (CAPT. SATISH SHARMA). (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) The natural gas projected to be available in Tripura has been proposed to be utilised within Tripura itself.

Running of Bokaro-Alleppey Express from Howrah

325. SHRI MOHAMMED AMIN: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the proposal to run the Bokaro-Alleppey Steel City Express from Howrah which is now running between Bokaro and Alleppey is under Govt's consideration

(b) if so, by when and the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K. C. LENKA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) This train has been provided to serve Bokaro Steel City. Its extension to Howrah will deprive this facility to passengers of Bokaro.

Introluction of single Long distance between Kharagpur and Bhadrak

326. SHRIMATI SARALA MAHESHWARI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to introduce more passenger trains between Kharagpur and Bhadrak of South Eastern Railway, if so, what are the details thereof; and

(b) by when these are likely to start?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K. C LENKA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Introduction of a single Long distance passenger train between Howrah and Delhi

327. SHRIMATI SARALA MAHESHWARI: Will the Minister of